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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Shinji HAMADA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1745

Appl. No. : 09/614,769

Examiner: J. MAPLES

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For : BATTERY MODULE, AND RECHARGEABLE BATTERY FOR  
CONSTITUTING THE BATTERY MODULE

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of March 14, 2002, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on June 14, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows (a marked-up copy of the appropriate paragraph is attached at the end of this Response):

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 14, line 13 and ending at page 15, line 15, as follows:

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